

## WANTS NEW BOARD TO BUY TEXTBOOKS

State Board of Education Advertiser for Four-Year Supply.

## WILLIAMS HAS NEW PLAN

Superintendent Via, of Patrick County, Resigns to Aid Party Harmony.

The creation of a new State board to purchase textbooks for the public schools and to make contracts with publishers after the books have been selected by the State Board of Education, is proposed in a resolution offered at a meeting of the State Board of Education yesterday by Attorney General Samuel W. Williams. The measure was debated for some time, but as it involves a distinct change of policy, which may have a far-reaching effect, the board took no action, allowing the resolution to lay over until the January meeting, when it will be further considered.

The present schoolbook contracts expire with this session. In order that members of the board may not be unduly harassed by agents of book publishing concerns, a resolution was adopted declaring that prior to March 15, 1914, the board would not hear agents or representatives of book concerns in person, but would receive and consider written statements in regard to books proposed to be used in the Virginia schools.

The secretary was instructed to advertise for proposals for furnishing the schools of Virginia with textbooks for a period of four years, bids to be submitted on or before April 15, 1914. The board expects to adhere to its policy of a single list in the elementary grades, giving some option as between textbooks approved for use in the high schools.

The resolution offered by Judge Williams, providing a new method of contracting for schoolbooks, and which was considered by some members of the board as almost revolutionary in character, follows in full:

"Whereas, the Constitution of this State, section 132, subsection 4, provides that the State Board of Education shall select textbooks and educational appliances for use in the schools of the State, exercising such discretion as it may see fit in the selection of books suitable for the schools in the various counties, cities and towns; and whereas, the Constitution of the State does not provide that it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to make contracts with publishers or others for the furnishing of such books, or fixing the prices or terms thereof; and

"Whereas, this duty is imposed upon the board by statute, Code, section 1432, as amended by Acts of 1908, page 536, which said statute provides, amongst other things, as follows:

"And said State Board of Education shall be empowered, and it is hereby made their duty, to enter into contract for a term of years, not to exceed seven, with the publisher or publishers of schoolbooks adopted for the use of the pupils of the public free

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Stir up your liver a little, just enough to start the bile nicely. One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime is all you need. These pills act directly on the liver. Made for the treatment of constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick-headache. Ask your doctor if he knows a better pill for a sluggish liver.

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**Specials for This Week:**

Granulated Sugar, lb.	41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>c</sub>
Ceresote Flour, 12-lb. sack	36c
Dunlop Flour, 12-lb. sack	35c
Maryland Chief Tomatoes, 9c. can; 3 for 25c. quality;	25c
Maryland Chief Petit Potatoes, 25c. quality; can	20c
Brookdale Asparagus, can	18c
Royal Scarlet Shad Roe; 20c. can; 3 for	50c
Del Monte Lemon Peaches, 35c. quality; can	25c
Hundley's Blend Coffee; worth 25c.; special ad.	29c
Mellwood and Savage Whiskey, full qts.	75c
Sugar Corn, can	7c

Children's School Shoes. . . . . \$1

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Cash or Credit.

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## Every Dollar

you lay aside in this strong, old bank draws interest at the rate of 3%, compounded semiannually. Regardless of the amount of your deposit, we show you every courtesy and help. If you are intending to open an account, come in. We shall be glad to see you.

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schools of Virginia, upon terms and conditions herein set forth; and

"Whereas, it is impracticable for the said State Board of Education, after devoting the time necessary to the exercise of proper discretion in the matter of selection of textbooks, as required by the Constitution, to fix and determine the price to be paid for said schoolbooks by the pupils and patrons of the public free schools of this State; and

"Whereas, in the opinion of this board, this, the business side of the proposition—that is, the price to be paid for schoolbooks—is an important business or commercial feature which ought not to be disposed of or settled without the utmost care, attention and effort on the part of the board to secure as low a price for such schoolbooks as is compatible with efficient service; therefore, be it

"Resolved by this board, That the Legislature of Virginia is hereby requested and memorialized to relieve the said board of any other duty in the premises than the duty of selecting the schoolbooks for use in the public free schools; and to provide by law that when the said books are so selected that such selection shall be considered upon the question as to whether satisfactory price therefor can or cannot be obtained; and that the Legislature shall provide some proper method for the appointment of a board, to consist of not less than three persons, who are not members of the State Board of Education, who shall be charged with the duty of purchasing the books so selected by the State Board of Education, as aforesaid, and of fixing the price thereof, and before any contract shall be finally concluded, that the

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## NEWS OF SOUTH RICHMOND

### SWANSBORO PASTOR GOES

Rev. L. O. Moore to Succeed Rev. C. E. Thrift at West End.

Although he has only served one year in his charge, Rev. Charles Thrift will not return as pastor of West End Methodist Church, Swansboro, but will be succeeded by Rev. L. O. Moore, according to the list of appointments made last night at the annual Methodist Conference in Danville. Mr. Thrift was the prime mover in securing local option in Swansboro, and on his complaint several merchants and druggists were arrested for Sunday selling.

Rev. W. A. Cooper will be the next pastor of Central Methodist Church, succeeding Rev. Henry C. Pfeiffer, who will go to Ashland. Mr. Pfeiffer has served four years, and the transfer was necessary.

The new Methodist Church, Swansboro, will be supplied by Rev. A. C. Berryman, whose home is in the suburb. Mr. Berryman was former pastor of the Barton Heights Methodist Church.

A business meeting of the congregation will be held shortly, at which plans will be discussed for the new church building. Services at present are being held in the home of Mr. Berryman.

Rev. Rescoe M. White will return as pastor of Decatur Street Methodist Church. The congregation requested the presiding elder to send him back. Mr. White being very popular with the members.

Reports of the four Southside Methodist churches of finances, membership and various collections were found to be satisfactory. Some of the statements showed an increase over last year.

### No Rector Called.

No definite arrangements were made for a new rector at a meeting of the vestry of Meade Memorial Episcopal Church last night. Rev. F. Ernest Warren resigned as rector several weeks ago, and since then the pulpit has been supplied by different preachers. Several names were submitted to the vestry, but no one could be decided upon. A meeting of the vestry will probably be called again shortly.

### "Chalky" Heavily Fined.

For cursing and abusing Officer R. L. McKinnis and being drunk and disorderly, George Meredith, colored, better known as "Chalky," was fined \$100 by Justice Maurice in Police Court, Part II, yesterday. Officer Dunnavant had been missing from the Southside since the issuance of the warrant, which charged him with creating a disturbance.

### Fire Creates Stir.

Considerable excitement was created yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, when fire broke out in the second story of the barne at 511 East Fifth Street, occupied by James L. Leffer and Jim Brooks, colored. The Southside department responded to an alarm, and extinguished the flames before much damage was done. The blaze was caused from a defective flue. The owners of the house are Mrs. L. O. Banton and J. E. Redford.

### Getting Ready for Bazaar.

Arrangements are being completed by the Earnest Workers' Society of Porter Street Presbyterian Church for its annual bazaar, which will be held in the Sunday school rooms of the church, on Tuesday beginning at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. A number of booths will be tastefully made, for Christmas novelties.

### An Interesting Program will be rendered, consisting of songs, musical selections and recitations.

### General News Notes.

Ensign R. S. Robertson, Jr., United States Navy, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Robertson, of Woodland Heights. He has just returned to the United States after a two-year cruise in Chinese waters and around the Philippines.

Manchester Lodge, No. 813, Fraternal Order of Elks, will hold an important meeting to-morrow night in the local

Manly, and a Roy Layne and Minnie Augusta Boehlen.

### Vetech Gets Contract.

The Administrative Board yesterday awarded the contract for graveling Stuart Avenue from West Street to the east line of Shippard Street to W. P. Vetech. His bid was 26 cents a square yard.

### Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the Hunting Court to John P. Fagle and Effie M. Emery; Albert H. Dohlig and Mary Ann Byrne; and J. Roy Layne and Minnie Augusta Boehlen.

### Peddler Had No License.

Oscar Jonathan, a peddler, was cited yesterday morning in Police Court for peddling fish without a license.

## CORLEY EXPLAINS REQUEST FOR HELP

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## CHEAPER GAS RECOMMENDED

Subcommittee Favors Reduction From 90 to 80 Cents—Goes Higher for Approval.

After hearing J. G. Corley, president of the Wednesday Club, in advocacy of the expenditure, the Council Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities last night referred the proposition to spend \$25,000 in improving the City Auditorium to a subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. Pollock, Bliley and Pollard.

Mr. Corley explained that he was not actuated by his advocacy of the expenditure by his connection with the Wednesday Club, as it had seemed to him that the city auditorium was in need of an improved auditorium for convention and other purposes. He mentioned the fact that the city auditorium was in need of an improved auditorium for convention and other purposes. He mentioned the fact that the city auditorium was in need of an improved auditorium for convention and other purposes.

### Urged Cut in Gas Rate.

The recommendation of a majority of the subcommittee that the price of gas be reduced from 90 cents to 80 cents was approved by the committee as a whole and was forwarded with its approval to the Council. It was pointed out in the subcommittee's recommendation that the consumption of gas would be greatly increased by the extension of the gas mains into South Richmond and by annexation, and that the reduction of the rate would be a benefit to the city.

Practically every matter which came up last night was sent to a subcommittee. The decision to acquire a triangular strip of land between Twenty-second and Twenty-third Streets and Chay Street and Jefferson Avenue and adjacent to Jefferson Park was referred to a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Pollock, Bliley and Pollard.

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## HARMAN HOLDS SURPLUS FUND

Wants to Know What to Do With Money Primary Candidates Paid Him.

State Treasurer A. W. Harman, Jr., is believed to be the only man in Virginia who admits that he has more money than he knows what to do with. He blames all his troubles on that same primary law which caused the City Democratic Committee to sit up nights in the named after Speaker Byrd, but which he declines to own. Among the many curious provisions of that act is a clause providing that candidates for office shall pay a sum equal to 5 per cent of the first year's salary of the offices to which they aspire.

With offices in the cities and counties this seems to work out all right—the cities and counties got the money and paid the cost of the election. But when it came to primaries for Congress and for State offices, difficulties arose. Nine candidates for Congress in primaries held last year posted with State Treasurer Harman \$375 each, or \$3,375. The cities and counties paid the expenses of the primaries, but there seemed no provision by which the money could be either turned into the State treasury or turned over to the counties to meet the costs. Can-

### MAKE NO PROTEST

Street Car People Promise to Improve Conditions on Barton Heights Line

A meeting of the Barton Heights Citizens' Association, which was called for the purpose of entering a complaint against the street car service during the rush hours, was held last night in the schoolhouse, no action was taken. H. L. Smith, superintendent of transportation, and T. Justin Moore, an attorney for the Virginia Railway Power Company, voluntarily appeared before the association, and on behalf of the company promised to improve the service as specifically as possible. Mr. Smith outlined the present transportation problems and showed how they were being solved. The new center-door type of cars, he stated, would be operated on the Clinton Road line as they arrive. The company representatives presented such a clear case that the association unanimously voted against further complaint.

Held as Deporter.

J. A. Peets, nineteen years old, was arrested yesterday by Bicycle Police Officer Latham, and held at the Second Police Station as a deporter from the United States. Says

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## THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia—Partly cloudy Wednesday and Thursday.

**Special Local Data for Yesterday.**

12 noon temperature	60
1 P. M. temperature	67
Maximum temperature up to 8	67
Minimum temperature up to 8	58
P. M. temperature	65
Mean temperature	62
Normal temperature	62
Excess in temperature	48
Deficiency in temperature since March 1	48
Accumulated excess in temperature since January 1	218
Accumulated deficiency in rainfall since January 1	2.51

**Local Observation S. P. M. Yesterday.**

Temperature	55
Humidity	55
Wind—direction	SE
Wind—velocity	SE
Weather	Partly Cloudy

**CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.** (All A. S. M. Eastern Standard Time.)

Place	Temp.	Wind	Clouds
Atlanta	48	SE	Clear
Baltimore	52	SE	Clear
Boston	44	SE	Cloudy
Buffalo	46	SE	Rain
Calgary	11	SE	Clear
Chicago	42	SE	Clear
Cincinnati	42	SE	Clear
Cleveland	42	SE	Clear
Dallas	50	SE	Clear